

HOUSE BILL 586  
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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63,  
Chapter 6, Part 7, relative to the "Volunteer Health  
Care Services Act".

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 63, Chapter 6, Part 7, is amended by  
adding the following language as a new section:

63-6-708.

(a) No person who is licensed or certified by the board of any of the professions  
of the healing arts as enumerated in this title, who renders, at any site, any health care  
services within the limits of his or her license or certification, voluntarily and without  
compensation, to any sponsoring organization within the meaning of this part, or to any  
patient of any clinic which is organized in whole or in part for the delivery of health care  
services without charge, shall be liable for any civil damages for any act or omission  
resulting from the rendering of such services unless the act or omission was the result of  
his or her gross negligence or willful misconduct.

(b) For purposes of this section, any commissioned or contract medical officer or  
dentist serving on active duty in the United States Armed Forces and assigned to duty  
as a practicing, commissioned, or contract medical officer or dentist at any military  
hospital or medical facility owned and operated by the United States Government shall  
be deemed to be licensed pursuant to this part.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring  
it.